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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 1.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:** Casey, William**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-029898**Date Inspected:** 30-Jul-2013**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 700**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1730**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site**CWI Name:** Jesus Cayabyab, Bernie Docena**CWI Present:** Yes No**Inspected CWI report:** Yes No N/A**Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No N/A**Electrode to specification:** Yes No N/A**Weld Procedures Followed:** Yes No N/A**Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A**Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A**Approved Drawings:** Yes No N/A**Approved WPS:** Yes No N/A**Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A**Bridge No:** 34-0006**Component:** SAS Tower**Summary of Items Observed:**

Caltrans Quality Assurance Inspector (QA) Joe Adame arrived at the American Bridge/Fluor (ABF) JV job site between the times noted above in order to monitor ABF Quality Control functions and the in process work being performed by ABF production personnel. The following items were observed:

**In Process Visual Inspection**

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ESW W-043, Location "V"-Face B

The QA Inspector observed, at random intervals, ABF welder Mike Jimenez (WID-4671) performing Shield Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) of the repair excavation on Electroslag Weld (ESW) "V", at face B location noted as:

Y= 6200~7000mm

L= 800mm

W= 80mm

D= 70mm

Welder 4671 was observed preheating the weld to over 300° Fahrenheit prior to welding using the Miller ProHeat 35 with heat induction blankets. The welder was using 4.0mm diameter electrode (E7018-1 HR4) per ABF Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1000-Repair Rev.3. The welding parameters were verified by ABF Quality Control (QC) Inspector Bernie Docena with a Flukemeter and preheat was verified with temperature indicators. The welding observed appeared to be in compliance with the WPS noted above. Welding is approx. 50% complete at this location.

UT of Tower Electroslag Welds:

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The QA Inspector was present to perform Ultrasonic Testing (UT) verification on Electroslag (ESW) welds on the interior of the Tower utilizing both the “pulse echo” (PE) technique and the “pitch and catch” (PC) technique for further discontinuity evaluation on ESW welds. The UT inspection was performed as a joint inspection with ABF/JV Quality Control (QC) Smith Emery NDT personnel. The QA Inspector performed joint UTSW Pitch/Catch with QC Inspector Jesse Cayabyab on the items listed below:

ESW S-045 Location “G”-60mm Thick, 70° Angle (Results below):

Y: 4675mm, X: -10mm

Face A, PEUT: Ind. Lvl (A): 64, Ref. Lvl (B): 51, Att. Factor(C): 7,	Ind. Rating (D): 6,	SD (E): 105
Face A, PCUT: Ind. Lvl (A): 83, Ref. Lvl (B): 51, Att. Factor(C): 12,	Ind. Rating (D): 20,	SPa (E): 121
Face B, PEUT: Ind. Lvl (A): 67, Ref. Lvl (B): 51, Att. Factor(C): 3,	Ind. Rating (D): 13,	SD (E): 54
Face B, PCUT: Ind. Lvl (A): 87, Ref. Lvl (B): 51, Att. Factor(C): 12,	Ind. Rating (D): 24,	SPa (E): 221

ESW E-045 Location “F”-60mm Thick, 70° Angle (Results below):

Y: 9405mm, X: -3mm

Face A, PEUT: Ind. Lvl (A): 70, Ref. Lvl (B): 51, Att. Factor(C): 6,	Ind. Rating (D): 13,	SD (E): 100
Face A, PCUT: Ind. Lvl (A): 81, Ref. Lvl (B): 51, Att. Factor(C): 12,	Ind. Rating (D): 18,	SPa (E): 130
Face B -PEUT: Ind. Lvl (A): Non Recordable Indication.		
Face B -PCUT: Ind. Lvl (A): Non Recordable Indication.		

ESW S-043 Location “T”-80mm/100mm Thick, 70° Angle (Results below):

Y: 8955mm, X: N/A Face A,B

-PEUT: Ind. Lvl (A): Non Recordable Indication.

-PCUT: Ind. Lvl (A): Non Recordable Indication.

ESW pitch & catch UT was performed per ABF Sup. Procedure 3 UT of ESW Groove Welds Pitch- Catch. The tandem UT report for work performed on this date will be completed by QC Inspector Jesse Cayabyab and signed by both QA/QC parties to be presented to ABF & CT METS for further review.

Investigative excavation

ESW E-045,”F”-Face A:

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The QA Inspector was later present to observe ABF welder Simon Ma performing exploratory excavation of ESW “F” Face A @ Y-8790mm, 8960mm to verify indications observed during Ultrasonic Testing pulse/echo & pitch/catch. Mr. Ma was performing grinding on the excavation. ABF QC Inspector Jesse Cayayab stated that Mr. Ma will excavate every 3mm deep and allow QC/QA to inspect the excavation. Location of the repair is as follows:

Weld excavated at 23mm- Linear indication (slag) @8840, X=-15, L= 4mm

Weld excavated at 23mm- Linear indication (slag) @8790, X=-15, L= 4mm

Weld excavated at 23mm- Linear indication (slag) @8960, X=-15, L= 5mm

Weld excavated at 23mm- Linear indication (slag) @8740 removed.

Weld excavated at 25mm- Linear indication (slag) @8840, X=-15, L= 4mm remains

Weld excavated at 25mm- Linear indication (slag) @8790, X=-15, L= 4mm remains

Weld excavated at 25mm- Linear indication (slag) @8960, X=-15, L= 5mm remains

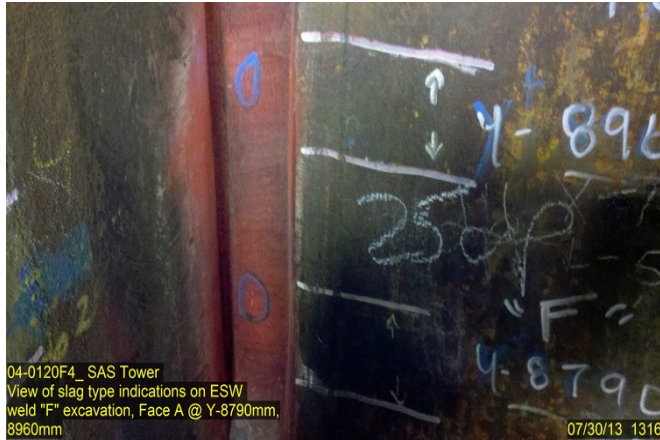
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Excavation Length Y=8680mm~9090mm (Excavation work in progress to be continued on the next work shift)  
After grinding to bright metal the QC Inspector performed MT testing of the excavation to inspect for weld discontinuities at each hold point. See TL-6028 for additional details on items inspected on this date.



### Summary of Conversations:

Only general conversations with ABF/JV QC NDT personnel relevant to work and testing performed during this shift.

### Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Gary Thomas (916) 764-6027, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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<b>Reviewed By:</b>	Mertz,Robert	QA Reviewer

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